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ESC VOLUNTEERING IN PALERMO, ITALY

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General information

- *Type of activity:* individual volunteering
- *How long:* 8 months
- *Where:* Palermo, Italy
- *Who:* An intercultural group of 8 volunteers from 18 to 30 years old

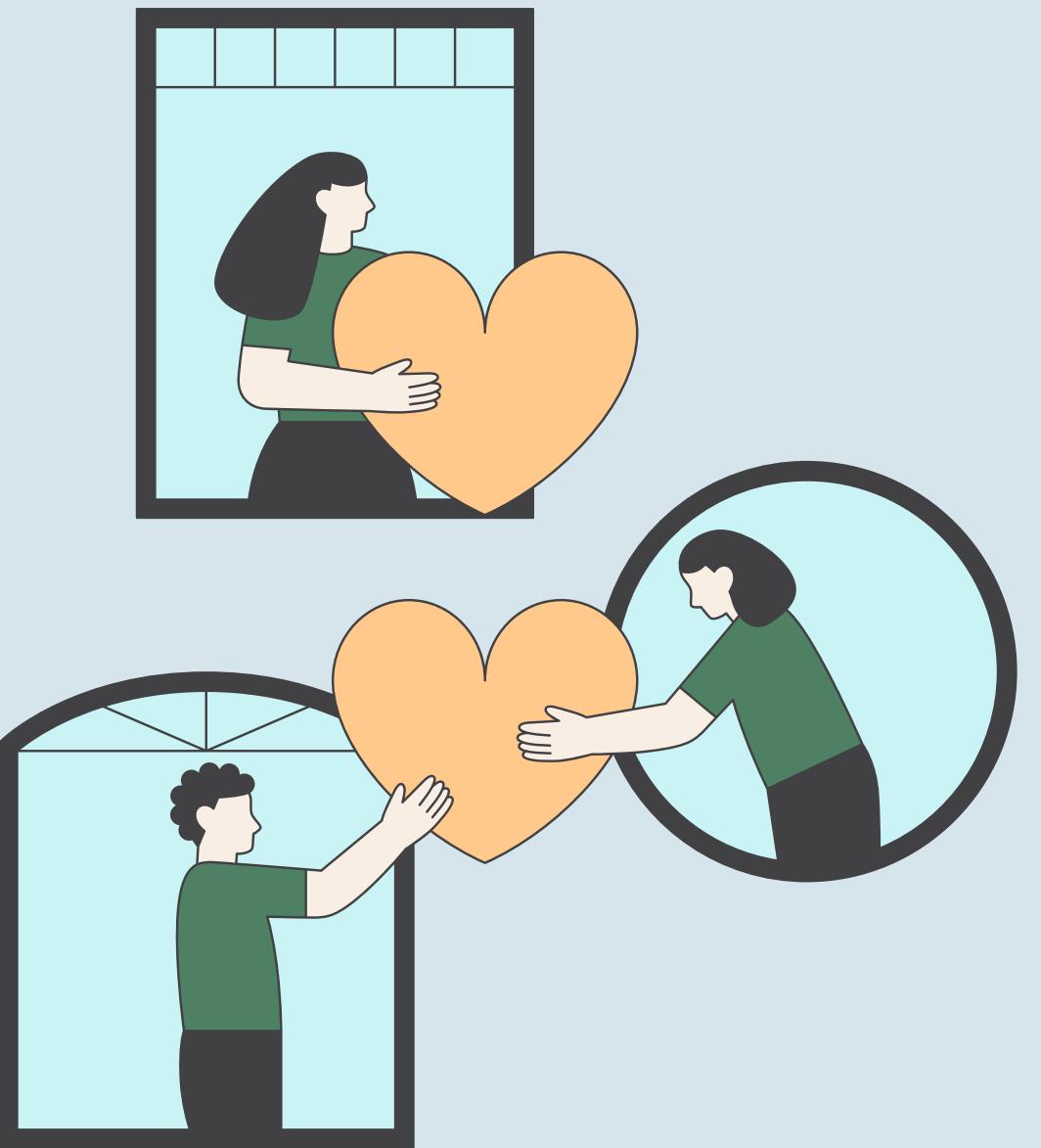


The project

CESIE ETS's ESC project will involve a group of 8 volunteers from different European countries, from June 2025 to 31 January 2026.

The main objective of the project is to promote cooperation and solidarity towards and with the local community of Palermo, through activities that will take place in cooperation with different associations in the area.

In addition, the project will represent an intercultural learning opportunity for the volunteers and organisations involved.



Who we are

CESIE is a European study and initiative centre founded in 2001 and inspired by the work and theories of sociologist Danilo Dolci (1924-1997).

CESIE's mission is to promote innovation, participation and growth in education.

CESIE's work is based on research based on social needs and challenges and the use of innovative learning approaches to address these needs.

CESIE consists of 6 units working in synergy: Higher Education and Research, Rights and Justice, Adults, Migration, Schools and Youth.



Volunteering activities

Activities will be carried out in cooperation with some local associations belonging to a network of centres with which CESIE has been collaborating for many years and which provide a number of important services for the local community in Palermo.

Volunteers will be involved in various social work activities, supporting the teams of professionals working in the different centres.

The areas in which volunteers will be able to volunteer will be:

- educational and care activities with children*
- recreational and care activities with people with disabilities*
- support services for refugees, asylum seekers and migrants*
- support activities with homeless people and people in difficulty*
- fostering the socio-occupational integration of disadvantaged people and promoting critical consumption*



Educational and care activities with children

Tasks:

- *taking care of toddler's primary needs*
- *proposing games and educational activities*
- *support with homework*
- *supporting the centre's staff of workers*



Recreational and care activities with people with disabilities

Tasks:

- *taking care of the needs of centre users*
- *participating in activities of daily living (cooking, eating together, taking care of the centre spaces)*
- *proposing recreational activities, such as music, dance, crafts, etc.*
- *supporting the centre's staff of workers*



Support services for refugees, asylum seekers and migrants

Tasks:

teamwork with centre staff in the management of primary and secondary services for users, such as:

- shower service*
- laundry service*
- supply of goods*
- legal and health support*



Support activities for homeless people and people in difficulty

Tasks:

- *support in the preparation of lunch offered to users*
- *support in managing the kitchen*
- *support in serving meals*
- *support in the management of laundry and shower services*
- *supporting the centre's staff of operators*



Fostering the socio-occupational integration of disadvantaged people and promoting critical consumption

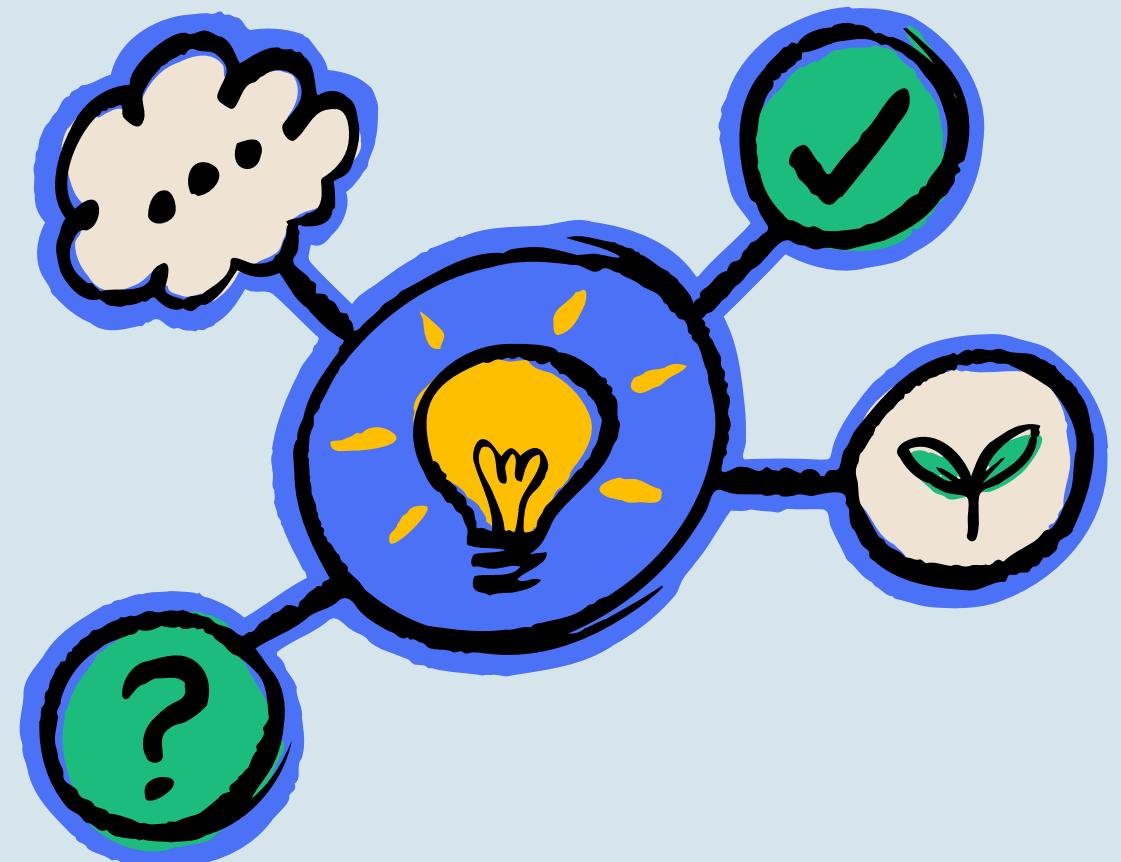
Tasks:

- *support in the promotion of events*
- *support in the creation of awareness-raising communication campaigns*
- *help with distribution*
- *support in collection activities*



Other activities

- Training with CESIE's staff
- Training with AIG (Agenzia Italiana per la Gioventù)
- Italian language course (40 hours)
- Participation in workshop on different topics
- Participation in local events
- Individual and group evalution meetings with tutor and mentors
- Design and realisation of a personal project



Volunteers profile

- Available for the entire duration of the project;
- 18-30 years old;
- Resident in EU Member States;
- Motivation to participate in the project and specific activities;
- Interest in the activities planned by the host organisation;
- Flexibility, creativity, patience, open-mindedness, teamwork;
- Proactive and positive attitude;
- Interest and willingness to face the intercultural experience proposed by the project and its challenges;
- Interest in social issues and solidarity;
- Basic knowledge of Italian welcome but not necessary.

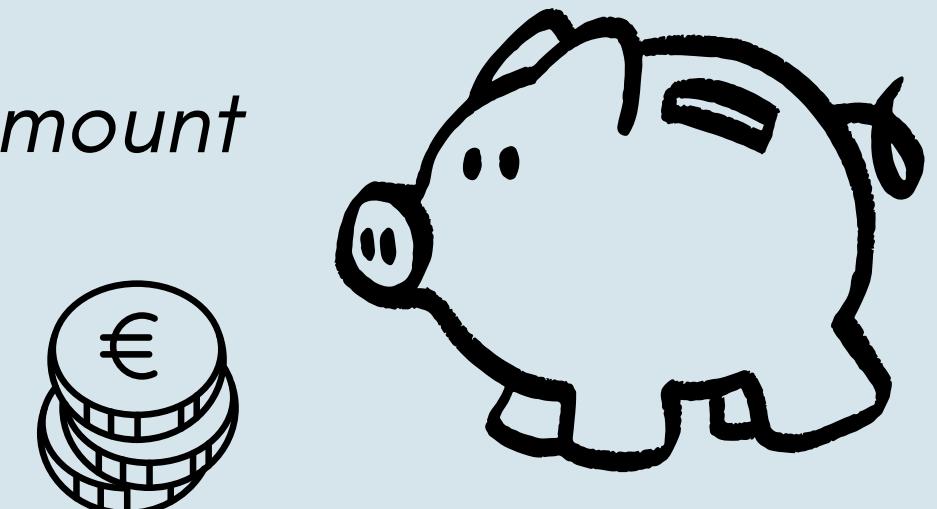
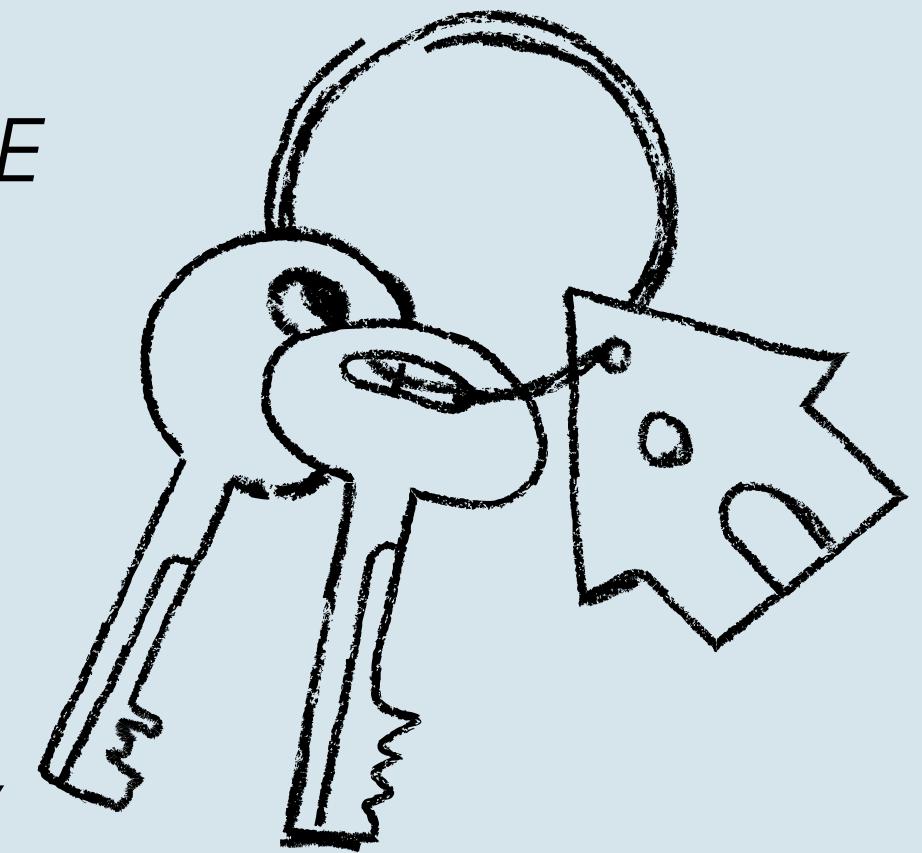


Accommodation and financial support

The volunteers will live in a shared flat in the historic centre of Palermo. In the flat, the 8 volunteers selected within the cel CESIE ETS project will live together. The flat consists of a kitchen, toilet, living room and 5 bedrooms. Volunteers will be provided with double or single rooms.

All maintenance costs of the house are covered by CESIE ETS (project coordinator). The coordinator will also provide a monthly amount of 320 €, including the standard pocket money fee (6 € per day) and a food fee, which will be provided monthly.

Travel expenses will be reimbursed on the basis of the amount established by the ESC.

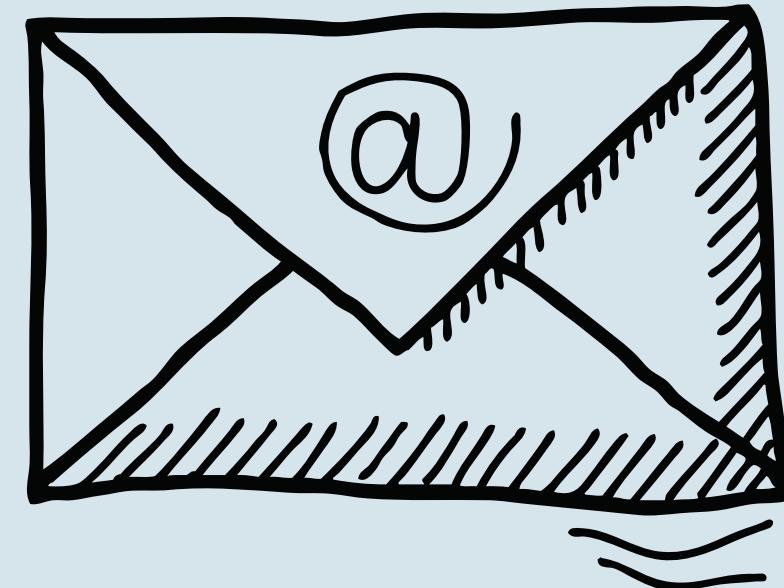


How to apply

Send an email to

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attaching your CV and a cover letter.



Only shortlisted people will be contacted for an online interview.



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